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Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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I feel that granting South Carolina Electric and Gas SCE&G a 10% increase would be the ultimate outrage.

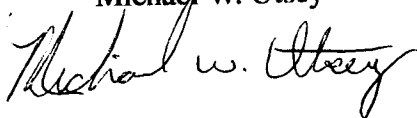
I filed a complaint last year about SCE&G charges to our store at 165 West Main Street in Harleyville, SC. I stated in that complaint how much higher SCE&G was than our account with Duke at our business at 5290 Mountain View Road in Hays, NC. Our light bill was double in SC for the same usage. I dropped one of our NC bills by SCE&G and they said this is not NC. The cash flow was better in NC and the area was more populated in Hay near Wilkesboro, NC. I would expect to pay more there than a small town the size of Harleyville. Why cant SCE&G operate more efficiently?

I am also live in at 339 Fountain lake Drive in Eutawville, SC 29048 and my residential bill is higher further more their service more unreliable than duke (many more outages).

Why should SCE&G be exempt from the same economic pain felt by others business. Why can't they have insurance benefits and salary cuts like other companies.

In these hard times when people are struggling to put food on the table to give the noneffective company any more money would be a great disservice to SC.

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